



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County  
Board of Commissioners**

**Criminal Justice Committee**

**Wednesday, May 16, 2018**

**9:35 AM**

**Cook County Building, Board Room  
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

**NOTICE AND AGENDA**

There will be a meeting of the Committee or Subcommittee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County at the date, time and location listed above to consider the following:

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Authorization as a public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have submitted in writing, their name, address, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon to deliver testimony at a time specified in the meeting agenda. Authorized public speakers who are not present during the specified time for public testimony will forfeit their allotted time to speak at the meeting. Public testimony must be germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. Persons authorized to provide public testimony shall not use vulgar, abusive, or otherwise inappropriate language when addressing the Board; failure to act appropriately; failure to speak to an item that is germane to the meeting, or failure to adhere to the time requirements may result in expulsion from the meeting and/or disqualify the person from providing future testimony.

**18-3721**

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 04/24/2018

[18-3474](#)

**Sponsored by:** RICHARD R. BOYKIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**CREATING A FUNERAL AND CEMETERY VIOLENCE TASKFORCE**

**WHEREAS**, violence at funerals across Cook County have reached an unacceptable level, and

**WHEREAS**, celebrating the life of a loved one is an important way to say goodbye for the families, and

**WHEREAS**, all families whose loved ones are killed should be able to mourn their loved ones in peace, and

**WHEREAS**, many Cook County residents bury their loved ones in cemeteries in unincorporated areas of the County, and

**WHEREAS**, in early 2018, shootings and violence at funerals and cemeteries spiked, and

**WHEREAS**, from 2016 to February 2018, more than 1,500 people have been killed in Chicago, so this issue affects many Cook County residents, and

**WHEREAS**, the County should direct any and all available resources to fight the scourge of retaliatory shootings at funerals, funeral processions, and cemeteries, and

**WHEREAS**, Cook County shall create a Task Force to meet and discuss potential solutions to this problem.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that there be established a Task Force to explore the issues and offer recommendations surrounding retaliatory funeral shootings, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners that the Task Force created herein shall consist of seven members, appointed in the following manner:

- (1) A designee of the Cook County Sheriff shall chair the Task Force
- (2) A designee of the Cook County State's Attorney
- (3) A designee of the Superintendent of the Chicago Police Department
- (4) A designee of the West Suburban Chiefs of Police
- (5) A designee of the South Suburban Chiefs of Police
- (6) A member of the Cook County Funeral Directors Association
- (7) A cemetery owner

**Legislative History :** 4/25/18 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Criminal Justice Committee



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Secretary

Chairman: Garcia

Vice-Chairman: Moore

Members: Committee of the Whole